

Interview Summary

Application No.
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Applicant(s.)

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Examiner

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Thomas Lee

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Date of Interview May 9, 2001

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 148, 161, 164, 167, 187, 188, 191, and 192

Identification of prior art discussed:

McConnell et al, US patent No. 6,011,373 and the prior art of record

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

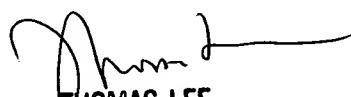
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The teachings of the references and the claimed invention were discussed. McConnell et al teach that the user can select between the fast response time and noise reduction modes. However, McConnell et al can't reduce selected unwanted frequencies from a plurality of frequencies in accordance with altered settings in the user interface. It is agreed that all the prior art of record do not individually or in combination teach or suggest the reduction of selected unwanted frequencies from a plurality of frequencies in accordance with altered settings in the user interface. Applicants agreed to file a supplemental amendment to add the additional limitations as per discussion in the interview.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached


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